House Resolution No. 2658

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the lives and careers of Show-Me State residents who have admirably sought to improve the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through religious and spiritual endeavors; and

Whereas, Bishop James R. Mayfield was born and raised in Kansas City, accepted Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior in 1977, and heeded the call to the gospel ministry in 1978; and

Whereas, James Mayfield became a faithful minister at Saint Mary's Grand Tabernacle in 1978, moved to Bethesda Missionary Baptist Church in 1982, and graduated from Western Baptist Bible College in 1985; and

Whereas, James Mayfield founded Saint Peters Missionary Baptist Church in 1985 with twelve souls accepting Christ that first Sunday; and

Whereas, Pastor James Mayfield joined Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship in 1995, after which time he changed the church's name from Saint Peters Missionary Baptist Church to Saint Peters: A Full Gospel Baptist Church and moved the church from its Troost location to Oldham Road; and

Whereas, in 2002 Pastor James Mayfield and Saint Peters Church undertook a massive building project in South Kansas City which tripled seating capacity and added space and accommodations for other ministry programs; and

Whereas, Western District Overseer of Missouri from 1997 to 2000 for the Full Gospel Baptist Church Fellowship, Pastor James Mayfield in 2004 became Bishop James Mayfield as the Mid-Western Regional Bishop for the Wrecking Crew for Christ United Ministries; and

Whereas, Bishop James Mayfield is the loving father of Damien Mayfield, Jamara Mayfield, Aaron Mayfield, and Joshua Mayfield:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the accomplishments and service associated with the life and work of Bishop James Mayfield and to convey this legislative body's most heartfelt congratulations as he celebrates his twenty years as founder and pastor of Saint Peters Church: A Full Gospel Ministry; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Bishop James R. Mayfield of Kansas City, Missouri.

Offered by _

Representative Melba J. Curls District No. 41

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2658, adopted April 28, 2005.